

In claim 69, line 1, delete "place" and substitute thereat --plate--.

In claim 75, line 4, delete "base sheet".

In claim 75, at line 15, delete "ceramic" and substitute thereat --material--.

REMARKS

As permitted under § 1.116 (b), amendments can be made after final request. Such amendments can be filed in conjunction with an appeal brief according to MPEP § 1207. Such amendments can be made cancelling claims and presenting rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal.

Claims 79 and 80 are cancelled herein without prejudice in order to comply with a requirement of form expressly set forth in the final office action in this application. These claims were added but incorrectly and inadvertently recited as depending from Claim 20, which was withdrawn in a previous amendment. These claims, instead, should have been dependent upon added independent claim 75. However, in order to comply with matters of form and procedure, claims 79 and 80 are cancelled herein. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to add these claims with proper dependency upon an allowance of independent claim 75. The Appellants' Brief on Appeal is submitted in conjunction herewith.

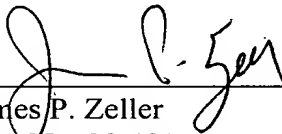
Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of this amendment as it complies with the requirements of § 1.116 and does not necessitate new search, raise new issues nor introduce new matter.

Applicants invite the examiner to contact the below signed representative of applicants in order to resolve any remaining questions resulting from the issues presented herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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